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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170 and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

I use my prepaid Tracphone for my own personal convienence, and don't use it much. If I had a regular server that charged me monthly fee for extended service - then you may have a point. My main reason for using prepaid time is not to be stuck with horrendous monthly bills for hidden charges so many of my friends have had to pay. Prepaid time is private time ... and I feel it is unfair to charge prepaid wireless users the same as those who have monthly fees. My income is limited, and I feel safe using prepaid time. However, that \$1.00 monthly increase will affect me, and I feel it will affect me unfairly.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members

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